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SUBJECT: FORTHCOMING U.S.-GOP NEGOTIATIONS

REF: MANILA 3535

CINCPAC FOR ADMIRAL GAYLER AND ABRAMOWITZ

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1. WE DO NOT REGARD OUR 59153 AS ATTEMPT TO FINESSE ANY

REQUEST MADE BY EMBASSY, NOR DO WE THINK IT IS "COWARDLY  
COP-OUT."

2. WE HAD THOUGHT IT CLEAR IN PREVIOUS TRAFFIC THAT USG  
IS PREPARED TO DISCUSS A NEGOTIATED REPLACEMENT TO LAUREL-  
LANGLEY AGREEMENT, EITHER ON BASIS DRAFT AER OR, PERHAPS IF  
GOP PREFERS, A SERIES OF SEPARATE AGREEMENTS COVERING MAJOR  
POINTS WHICH NEED RESOLUTION. WE ARE HANDICAPPED IN PRE-  
PARING FOR THIS NEGOTIATION BY ABSENCE OF ANYTHING RESEMBL-  
ING COHERENT RESPONSE FROM PHILS IN REPLY TO OUR DRAFT  
TREATY WHICH THEY HAVE HAD SINCE LAST SEPTEMBER. WE ARE NOT  
PREPARED, AS WE HAVE TOLD EMBASSY, TO INTRODUCE REVISED  
DRAFT WITHOUT SOME KNOWLEDGE OF WHAT PHILS WANT OR ARE WILL-  
ING TO ACCEPT. WE DO NEED TO DISCUSS FURTHER, AND PREFER-  
ABLY WITH YOU, NUMEROUS ISSUES SUCH AS RESOLUTION OF LAND  
QUESTIONS AND POSSIBILITY OF REACHING AGREEMENT WITH PHILS  
ON MEANINGFUL "NATIONAL TREATMENT", AND HAD HOPED THAT THIS  
WOULD BE MAJOR ITEM IN YOUR CONSULTATION HERE.

3. MILITURH BASES ARRANGEMENTS AS THEY NOW STAND ARE  
BASICALLY ACCEPTABLE TO US. DEPARTMENT AND DEFENSE ARE  
PREPARING INSTRUCTIONS AND ANALYSIS OF UNRESOLVED MBA  
ISSUES WHICH YOU SHOULD RECEIVE IN NEXT FEW DAYS SUMMAR-  
IZING OUR POSITION. SINCE WE HAVE NOT RECEIVED IN RECENT  
MONTHS ANYTHING RESEMBLING GOP POSITION, WE BELIEVE IT  
WOULD NOT BE IN U.S. INTEREST TO PREPARE FURTHER NEGOTIA-  
TING POINTS, AND IT IS FEELING OF BOTH STATE AND DEFENSE  
THAT WE SHOULD NOT ANTICIPATE GOP POSITIONS. WE WOULD  
LIKE TO HEAR WHAT THEY WANT TO TALK ABOUT IN THIS FIELD.  
THIS WAS ESSENTIUL POINT INTEDDED BY STATE 59153, WHICH,  
INCIDENTALLY, LEFT HERE BEFORE WE RECEIVED MANILA'S  
3366-70. WE ANTICIPATE YOUR CONSULTATION WILL BE BOTH USE-  
FUL AND PLEASANT AND ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO IT. RATHER  
THAN ADDITIONAL TELEGRAPHIC EXCHANGES BEFORE YOUR RETURN,  
WE HOPE FORTHCOMING MESSAGE ON MBA ON WHICH DEPARTMENT AND  
DEFENSE ARE NOW WORKING WILL BE HELPFUL IN RESOLVING  
OUR APPROACH TO MBA NEGOTIATIONS.

4. IN ABSENCE OF CLEARER INDICATION OF PHIL DESIRES RE  
OUTSTANDING ARTICLES TO BE NEGOTIATED IN ECONOMIC ARRANGE-  
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MENTS, WASHINGTON CRYSTAL BALL IS CURRENTLY CLOUDY. WE  
HOPE THAT IN FURTHER CONSULTATION WITH MARCOS OR OTHERS  
WHICH YOU MAY HAVE PRIOR TO DEPARTURE YOU CAN MOVE GOP TO  
PROVIDE AT LEAST THE HIGH POINTS OF WHAT THEY REALLY WANT  
ON ECONOMIC ISSUES. OTHERWISE, WE ARE LIKELY TO BE  
NEGOTIATING AGAINST OURSELVES RATHER THAN WITH GOP.

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